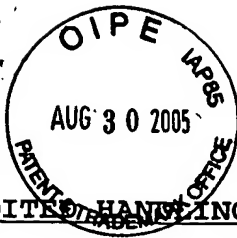


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Amendment to the specification begins on page 2 of this paper.  
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Amendment to the drawing, none.  
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